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Solicitation of Bids for Ferry Service Contracts Postponed

Transportation of Visitors and Freight to Watch Hill and to Sailors Haven on Fire Island

Patchogue, NY—Fire Island National Seashore announced today that the National Park Service is delaying the solicitation of bids for new concession contracts to provide ferry service to Watch Hill and to Sailors Haven on Fire Island. A synopsis of the prospectus had been announced on August 1 for Watch Hill (available on the Federal Business Opportunities web site at [www.fbo.gov/spg/DOI/NPS/APC- IS/FIIS00407/SynopsisP.html](http://www.fbo.gov/spg/DOI/NPS/APC-IS/FIIS00407/SynopsisP.html)) and on August 15 for Sailors Haven prospectus (www.fbo.gov/spg/DOI/NPS/APC%2DIS/FIIS00307/listing.html). Pre- proposal site visits had been planned for August 21 and August 24, 2007, respectively. New contracts are expected to be implemented in January 2008. Transportation services for Fire Island National Seashore operate from mid- May to mid October.

“We expect to re- advertise these business opportunities after minor amendments to the two prospectuses. The park concessioners are valuable partners in providing essential services for the people who visit Fire Island National Seashore,” stated Acting Superintendent Sean McGuinness.

For more information about Fire Island National Seashore, visit the park’s website at www.nps.gov/fiis.

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